

Beal Conjecture Convincing Proof

"5% of the people think; 10% of the people think that they think; and the other 85% would rather die than think."---Thomas Edison

"The simplest solution is usually the best solution"---Albert Einstein

Abstract

The author proves directly the original Beal conjecture that if $A^x + B^y = C^z$, where A, B, C, x, y, z are positive integers and $x, y, z > 2$, then A, B and C have a common prime factor. In the numerical examples, two approaches have been used to change the sum, $A^x + B^y$, of two powers to a single power, C^z . In one approach, the application of factorization is the main principle, while in the other approach, a derived formula from $A^x + B^y$ was applied. The two approaches changed the sum $A^x + B^y$ to the single power, C^z , perfectly. The derived formula confirmed the validity of the assumption that it is necessary that the sum $A^x + B^y$ has a common prime factor before C^z can be derived. It was shown that if $A^x + B^y = C^z$, where A, B, C, x, y, z are positive integers and $x, y, z > 2$, then A, B and C have a common prime factor.

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Preliminaries

Process and Requirements Involved in Changing the Sum of Two Powers to a Single Power

The process will be guided as follows. There is a sum of two powers $A^x + B^y$. One will write this sum as a single power C^z such that $A^x + B^y = C^z$, noting that A, B, C, x, y, z are positive integers and $x, y, z > 2$.

The necessary condition is that the two powers must have a common power as exemplified below. If this requirement is not satisfied, the sum of the two powers cannot be changed to a single power, because of the intermediate product step.

Two main steps are involved in changing the sum $A^x + B^y$ to a single power C^z .

Step 1

In step 1, the **sum** of the two powers is changed to a **product** by factorization and also by a derived formula. The factorization is a common "monomial" factoring which involves a division process. It is the quotient involved which requires the common prime factor requirement so that the resulting product satisfies the requirements, A, B, x, y are positive integers and $x, y, z > 2$. Thus, A and B must have common prime factor (as illustrated below) for the division result to satisfy the conditions where A, B, x, y are positive integers and $x, y, z > 2$. Any product obtained also has the same common prime factor as the sum of the powers. Note below as in Approach A that it is the second term (a quotient) of the critical sum, where some of the common factors are needed for cancellation and simplification.

Approach A		Approach B
Without factoring the powers first		Factoring each power first (more efficient)
Change $34^5 + 51^4$ to a single term		Change $34^5 + 51^4$ to a single term
$= 34^5 \left(1 + \frac{51^4}{34^5} \right) \quad (A)$ <div style="text-align: center; margin-left: 40px;"> $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{critical sum}}$ </div>	(factoring out the 34^5)	$= (17 \cdot 2)^5 + (17 \cdot 3)^4$ $= 17^5 \cdot 2^5 + 17^4 \cdot 3^4$ $= 17^4 \underbrace{(17 \cdot 2^5 + 3^4)}_{\text{critical sum}}$
$= 34^5 \left(1 + \frac{17^4 \cdot 3^4}{17^5 \cdot 2^5} \right) \quad (B)$	(some common factors divided out)	$= 17^4 (17 \cdot 32 + 81)$
$= 17^5 \cdot 2^5 \left(1 + \frac{3^4}{17 \cdot 2^5} \right) \quad (C)$		$= 17^4 (625)$
$= 17^5 \cdot 2^5 \left(\frac{17 \cdot 2^5 + 3^4}{17 \cdot 2^5} \right) \quad (D)$	Critical sum satisfies A, B, x, y being, positive integers; $x, y, z > 2$.	$= 17^4 (5^4)$
$= 17^4 \underbrace{(17 \cdot 2^5 + 3^4)}_{\text{critical sum}} \leftarrow \text{-----} (E)$		$= (17 \cdot 5)^4$
$= 17^4 (625)$		$= 85^4$
$= 17^4 (5^4)$		
$= (17 \cdot 5)^4$		
$= 85^4$		

Note above that Steps (A) to (C) constitute Step 1.

Note also that Approach B takes less steps.

Step 2: In Step 2, the product from step 1 is changed to a single power.

Example 1A: $2^3 + 2^3 = 2^4$ $A = 2, B = 2, C = 2, x = 3, y = 3, z = 4, A^x + B^y = C^z$.

Change the sum $2^3 + 2^3$ to a single power of 2.

Factor out the greatest common factor.

$$2^3 + 2^3$$

$$= 2^3(\underbrace{1+1}_{\text{critical sum}}) \quad (\text{G}) < \text{-----}$$

$$= 2^3(2)$$

$$= 2^4$$

This step requires that 2^3 and 2^3 have a common prime factor

It is interesting how the "(1+1)" provided the much needed 2.

The 2^4 must have a common factor as 2^3 and 2^3 , from which it was obtained..
From above, the common prime factor is 2,

Example 1B Using the derived formula: $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$

Let r, s and t be prime factors of A, B and C respectively, where D, E and F are positive integers. Then $A = Dr, B = Es$, and $C = Ft$, $(Dr)^x + (Es)^y = (Ft)^z$

(from $A^x + B^y = C^z$) . Also $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$, where $s = r$.

Assuming that A and B have a common prime factor r , the above equation becomes

$(Dr)^x + (Er)^y = (Ft)^z$. From the left-hand side of this equation, one obtains the conversion

formula, $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$. This formula will be applied to numerical equations to test the validity of the assumption that A , and B have a common prime factor before being converted to C .

Conversion Formula: $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$, where $r = s$ (i.e., A and B have a common prime factor)

The conversion formula will convert the two-term sum $A^x + B^y$ to a single term, C^z .

For the left-hand-side
Change $2^3 + 2^3$ to a single term

$$(1 \bullet 2)^3 + (1 \bullet 2)^3 = (1 \bullet 2)^4$$

$$\text{Formula : } r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$$

$$r = 2, D = 1, x = 3, E = 1, y = 3$$

$$= 2^3(1^3 + 1^3 \bullet 2^{3-3})$$

$$= 2^3(1 + 2^0)$$

$$= 2^3(1 + 1)$$

$$= 2^3(2)$$

$$= 2^4$$

For the right-hand side

$$F = 1, t = r = 2, z = 4$$

$$F^z t^z = 1 \bullet 2^4$$

$$= 2^4$$

Observe above that it has been shown that

$$r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$$

Example 1B confirmed the assumption that it is necessary that the sum $A^x + B^y$ has a common prime factor before C^z can be derived. (from the formula $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$).

Example 2A $7^6 + 7^7 = 98^3$ $A = 7, B = 7, C = 98, x = 6, y = 7, z = 3, A^x + B^y = C^z$
 Change the sum $7^6 + 7^7$ to a single power of 98.

<p>Factor out the greatest common factor.</p> $7^6 + 7^7$ $= 7^6(\underbrace{1+7}_{\substack{\text{critical} \\ \text{sum}}}) \quad (G) \leftarrow \text{-----}$ $= 7^6(8)$ $= 7^6(2^3)$ $= (7^2)^3(2^3)$ $= (7^2 \bullet 2)^3$ $= (49 \bullet 2)^3$ $= (98)^3$ $= 98^3$ <p>Note that if $7^6 + 7^7$ did not have any common factor, one could not factor, and one will not be able to write the sum as a product and subsequently change the product to power form.</p>	<p>This step requires that 7^6 and 7^7 have a common prime factor</p> <p>It is interesting how the "(1+7)" provided the much needed 2^3.</p>
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Since 98^3 was obtained from the sum $7^6 + 7^7$, which has a common prime factor 7, 98^3 has the same common prime factor, 7. Therefore $7^6, 7^7$ and 98^3 have the common prime factor of 7.

Example 2B Using the derived formula: $\text{Formula : } r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$

Let r, s and t be prime factors of A, B and C respectively, where D, E and F are positive integers. Then $A = Dr, B = Es$, and $C = Ft, (Dr)^x + (Es)^y = (Ft)^z$

$$7^6 + 7^7 = 98^3$$

$$(1 \bullet 7)^6 + (1 \bullet 7)^7 = (14 \bullet 7)^3$$

Conversion Formula: $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$, where $r = s$ (i.e., A and B have a common prime factor)

<p>For the left-hand-side</p> $\text{Formula : } r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$ $r = 7, D = 1, x = 6, E = 1, y = 7$ $= 7^6(1^6 + 1^7 \bullet 7^{7-6})$ $= 7^6(1 + 1 \bullet 7)$ $= 7^6(1 + 7)$ $= 7^6(8)$ $= 7^6 \bullet 2^3$ $= (7^2)^3 \bullet 2^3$ $= (7^2 \bullet 2)^3$ $= (49 \bullet 2)^3$ $= 98^3$	<p>For the right-hand side</p> $F = 14, t = r = 7, z = 3$ $(Ft)^z = (14 \bullet 7)^3$ $= 98^3$ <p>Observe above that it has been shown that $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$.</p>
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Example 2B confirmed the assumption that it is necessary that the sum $A^x + B^y$ has a common prime factor before C^z can be derived. (from the formula $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$).

Example 3A: $3^3 + 6^3 = 3^5$ $A = 3, B = 6, C = 3, x = 3, y = 3, z = 5, A^x + B^y = C^z$

Change the sum $3^3 + 6^3$ to a single power of 3..

<p>Factor out the greatest common factor.</p> $3^3 + 6^3$ $= 3^3 + (3 \cdot 2)^3$ $= 3^3 + 3^3 \cdot 2^3$ $= 3^3 \underbrace{(1 + 2^3)}_{\substack{\text{critical} \\ \text{sum}}} \quad \text{(G)} < \text{-----}$ $= 3^3(1 + 8)$ $= 3^3(9)$ $= 3^3 \cdot 3^2$ $= 3^5$	<p>This step requires that 3^3 and 6^3 have a common prime factor</p> <p>It is interesting how the "(1 + 8)" provided the much needed 3^2.</p>
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Since 3^5 was obtained from the sum $3^3 + 6^3$, which has a common prime factor, 3, 3^5 has the same common prime factor, 3,

Example 3B Using the derived formula: $\text{Formula : } r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$

Let r, s and t be prime factors of A, B and C respectively, where D, E and F are positive integers. Then $A = Dr, B = Es$, and $C = Ft, (Dr)^x + (Es)^y = (Ft)^z$

$$3^3 + 6^3 = 3^5$$

$$(1 \cdot 3)^3 + (2 \cdot 3)^3 = (1 \cdot 3)^5$$

Conversion Formula: $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$, where $r = s$ (i.e., A and B have a common prime factor)

<p>For the left-hand-side</p> $\text{Formula : } r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$ $(1 \cdot 3)^3 + (2 \cdot 3)^3 = (1 \cdot 3)^5$ $r = 3, D = 1, x = 3, E = 2, y = 3$ $= 3^3(1^3 + 2^3 \cdot 3^{3-3})$ $= 3^3(1 + 2^3 \cdot 1)$ $= 3^3(1 + 2^3)$ $= 3^3(1 + 8)$ $= 3^3(9)$ $= 3^3(3^2)$ $= 3^5$	<p>For the right-hand side</p> $F = 1, t = r = 3, z = 5$ $(Ft)^z = (1 \cdot 3)^5$ $= 3^5$ <p>Observe above that it has been shown that $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$.</p>
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Example 3B confirmed the assumption that it is necessary that the sum $A^x + B^y$ has a common prime factor before C^z can be derived (from the formula $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$).

Example 4A $2^9 + 8^3 = 4^5$ $A = 2, B = 8, C = 4, x = 9, y = 3, z = 5, A^x + B^y = C^z$
 Change the sum $2^9 + 8^3$ to a single power of 4.

<p>Factor out the greatest common factor.</p> $2^9 + 8^3$ $= 2^9 + (2^3)^3$ $= 2^9 + 2^9$ $= 2^9(1+1) \quad \text{(G)} \leftarrow \text{-----}$ <p style="margin-left: 40px;">critical sum</p> $= 2^9 \cdot 2$ $= 2^{10}$ $= (2^2)^5$ $= (4)^5$ $= 4^5$	<p>This step requires that 2^9 and 8^3 have a common prime factor</p> <p>It is interesting how the "(1+ 1)" provided the much needed 2.</p>
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Since 4^5 was obtained from the sum $2^9 + 8^3$, which has a common prime factor, 2, 4^5 has the same common prime factor, 2,

Example 4B Using the derived formula: $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$

Let r, s and t be prime factors of A, B and C respectively, where D, E and F are positive integers. Then $A = Dr, B = Es$, and $C = Ft, (Dr)^x + (Es)^y = (Ft)^z$

$$2^9 + 8^3 = 4^5$$

$$(1 \cdot 2)^9 + (4 \cdot 2)^3 = (2 \cdot 2)^5$$

Conversion Formula: $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$, where $r = s$ (i.e., A and B have a common prime factor)

<p>For the left-hand-side</p> $\text{Formula : } r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$ $(1 \cdot 2)^9 + (4 \cdot 2)^3 = (2 \cdot 2)^5$ $r = 2, D = 1, x = 9, E = 4, y = 3$ $= 2^9(1^9 + 4^3 \cdot 2^{3-9})$ $= 2^9(1 + (2^2)^3 \cdot 2^{-6})$ $= 2^9(1 + 2^6 \cdot 2^{-6})$ $= 2^9(1 + 2^0)$ $= 2^9(1 + 1)$ $= 2^9(2)$ $= 2^{10}$ $= (2^2)^5$ $= 4^5$	<p>For the right-hand side</p> $F = 2, r = 2, z = 5$ $(Ft)^z = (2 \cdot 2)^5$ $= 4^5$ <p>Observe above that it has been shown that $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$.</p>
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Example 4B confirmed the assumption that it is necessary that the sum $A^x + B^y$ has a common prime factor before C^z can be derived. (from the formula $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$).

Example 5A $34^5 + 51^4 = 85^4$ $A = 34, B = 51, C = 85, x = 5, y = 4, z = 4, A^x + B^y = C^z$
 Change the sum $34^5 + 51^4$ to a single power of 85.

<p>Factor out the greatest common factor.</p> $34^5 + 51^4$ $= (17 \cdot 2)^5 + (17 \cdot 3)^4$ $= 17^5 \cdot 2^5 + 17^4 \cdot 3^4$ $= 17^4 \underbrace{(17 \cdot 2^5 + 3^4)}_{\text{critical sum}} \quad (\text{G}) \leftarrow \text{-----}$ $= 17^4(17 \cdot 32 + 81)$ $= 17^4(625)$ $= 17^4(5^4)$ $= (17 \cdot 5)^4$ $= 85^4$	<p>This step requires that 34^5 and 51^4 have a common prime factor</p> <p>It is interesting how the $17 \cdot 2^5 + 3^4$ provided the much needed magic</p> $625 = 5^4$
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Since 85^4 was obtained from 34^5 and 51^4 which have the common prime factor, 17, 85^4 has the same common factor, 17.

Example 5B Using the derived formula: $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$

Let r, s and t be prime factors of A, B and C respectively, where D, E and F are positive integers. Then $A = Dr, B = Es$, and $C = Ft, (Dr)^x + (Es)^y = (Ft)^z$

$$34^5 + 51^4 = 85^4$$

$$(2 \cdot 17)^5 + (3 \cdot 17)^4 = (5 \cdot 17)^4$$

Conversion Formula: $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$, where $r = s$ (i.e., A and B have a common prime factor)

<p>For the left-hand-side</p> $(2 \cdot 17)^5 + (3 \cdot 17)^4 = (5 \cdot 17)^4$ <p>Formula: $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$</p> $r = 17, D = 2, x = 5, E = 3, y = 4$ $= 17^5(2^5 + 3^4 \cdot 17^{4-5})$ $= 17^5(2^5 + 3^4 \cdot 17^{-1})$ $= 17^5(2^5 + \frac{3^4}{17})$ $= 17^5(\frac{17 \cdot 2^5 + 3^4}{17})$ $= 17^4(17 \cdot 2^5 + 3^4)$ $= 17^4(17 \cdot 32 + 81)$ $= 17^4(625)$ $= 17^4(5^4)$ $= (17 \cdot 5)^4$ $= 85^4$	<p>For the right-hand side</p> $F = 5, t = r = 17, z = 4$ $F^z t^z = 5^4 17^4$ $= (5 \cdot 17)^4$ $= 85^4$ <p>Observe above that it has been shown that $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$.</p>
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Example 5B confirmed the assumption that it is necessary that the sum $A^x + B^y$ has a common prime factor before C^z can be derived. (from the formula $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$..)

Example 6A: $3^9 + 54^3 = 3^{11}$ $A = 3, B = 54, C = 3, x = 9, y = 3, z = 11, A^x + B^y = C^z$
 Change the sum $3^9 + 54^3$ to a single power of 3.

<p>Factor out the greatest common factor.</p> $3^9 + 54^3$ $= 3^9 + (9 \cdot 6)^3$ $= 3^9 + (3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 2)^3$ $= 3^9 + (3^3 \cdot 2)^3$ $= 3^9 + 3^9 \cdot 2^3$ $= 3^9 \underbrace{(1 + 2^3)}_{\text{critical sum}} \quad (\text{G}) \leftarrow \text{-----}$ $= 3^9(1 + 8)$ $= 3^9(9)$ $= 3^9 \cdot 3^2$ $= 3^{11}$	<p>This step requires that 3^9 and 54^3 have a common prime factor</p> <p>It is interesting how the $1 + 2^3$ provided the much needed 9.</p> <p>.</p>
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Since 3^{11} was obtained from 3^9 and 54^3 which have the common prime factor , 3. 3^{11} has the common factor 3.

Example 6B Using the derived formula: $\boxed{\text{Formula : } r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})}$

Let r, s and t be prime factors of A, B and C respectively, where D, E and F are positive integers. Then $A = Dr, B = Es,$ and $C = Ft, \boxed{(Dr)^x + (Es)^y = (Ft)^z}$
 $3^9 + 54^3 = 3^{11}$
 $(1 \cdot 3)^9 + (3 \cdot 18)^3 = (1 \cdot 3)^{11}$

Conversion Formula: $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$, where $r = s$ (i.e., A and B have a common prime factor)

<p>For the left-hand-side</p> $(1 \cdot 3)^9 + (3 \cdot 18)^3 = (1 \cdot 3)^{11}$ $\boxed{\text{Formula : } r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})}$ $(1 \cdot 3)^9 + (18 \cdot 3)^3 = (1 \cdot 3)^{11}$ $r = 3, D = 1, x = 9, E = 18, y = 3$ $= 3^9(1^9 + 18^3 \cdot 3^{3-9})$ $= 3^9(1 + 3^6 \cdot 2^3 \cdot 3^{3-9})$ $= 3^9(1 + 3^6 \cdot 3^{3-9} \cdot 2^3)$ $= 3^9(1 + 2^3)$ $= 3^9(1 + 8)$ $= 3^9(9)$ $= 3^9(3^2)$ $\boxed{= 3^{11}}$	<p>For the right-hand side</p> $F = 1, r = 3, z = 11$ $(Ft)^z = (1 \cdot 3)^{11}$ $\boxed{= 3^{11}}$ <p>Observe above that it has been shown that $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$.</p>
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Example 6B confirmed the assumption that it is necessary that the sum $A^x + B^y$ has a common prime factor before C^z can be derived. (from the formula $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$).

Example 7A: $33^5 + 66^5 = 33^6$ $A = 33, B = 66, C = 33, x = 5, y = 5, z = 6, A^x + B^y = C^z$
 Change the sum $33^5 + 66^5$ to a single power of 33..

<p>Factor out the greatest common factor.</p> $33^5 + 66^5$ $= (11 \cdot 3)^5 + (11 \cdot 2 \cdot 3)^5$ $= 11^5 \cdot 3^5 + 11^5 \cdot 2^5 \cdot 3^5$ $= 11^5 \cdot 3^5 \underbrace{(1 + 2^5)}_{\text{critical sum}} \quad \text{(G)} \leftarrow \text{-----}$ $= (11 \cdot 3)^5 (1 + 2^5)$ $= 33^5 (33)$ $= 33^6$	<p>This step requires that 33^5 and 66^5 have a common prime factor</p> <p>It is interesting how the $1 + 2^5$ provided the much needed 33</p>
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Similarly, as from above, 33^6 has the common prime factors 3 and 11.

Example 7B Using the derived formula: $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$

Let r, s and t be prime factors of A, B and C respectively, where D, E and F are positive integers. Then $A = Dr, B = Es$, and $C = Ft$, $(Dr)^x + (Es)^y = (Ft)^z$

$$33^5 + 66^5 = 33^6$$

$$(11 \cdot 3)^5 + (11 \cdot 2 \cdot 3)^5 = (11 \cdot 3)^6$$

Conversion Formula: $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$, where $r = s$ (i.e., A and B have a common prime factor)

For the left-hand-side		For the right-hand side
<p>There are two prime factors 3 and 11. Here one uses the prime factor 3.</p> $\text{Formula : } r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$ $(11 \cdot 3)^5 + (11 \cdot 2 \cdot 3)^5$ $r = 3, D = 11, x = 5, E = 22, y = 5$ $= 3^5(11^5 + 22^5 \cdot 3^{5-5})$ $= 3^5(11^5 + 22^5 \cdot 1)$ $= 3^5(11^5 + 22^5)$ $= 3^5(11^5 + (2^5 \cdot 11^5))$ $= 3^5 \cdot 11^5(1 + 2^5)$ $= (3 \cdot 11)^5(1 + 2^5)$ $= 33^5(1 + 2^5)$ $= 33^5(33)$ $= 33^6$	<p>Here one uses the prime factor ,11</p> $(11 \cdot 3)^5 + (11 \cdot 2 \cdot 3)^5$ $r = 11, D = 3, x = 5, E = 6, y = 5$ $= 11^5(3^5 + 6^5 \cdot 11^{5-5})$ $= 11^5(3^5 + 6^5 \cdot 1)$ $= 11^5(3^5 + 6^5)$ $= 11^5(3^5 + 2^5 \cdot 3^5)$ $= 11^5 \cdot 3^5(1 + 2^5)$ $= (11 \cdot 3)^5(1 + 2^5)$ $= 33^5(1 + 2^5)$ $= 33^5(33)$ $= 33^6$ <p>Note: One gets the same result as using 3 as the prime factor.</p>	<p>For Prime factor, 3</p> $F = 11, t = 3, z = 6$ $(Ft)^z = (11 \cdot 3)^6$ $= 33^6$ <p>For Prime factor, 11</p> $F = 3, t = 11, z = 6$ $(Ft)^z = (3 \cdot 11)^6$ $= 33^6$ <p>Observe above that it has been shown that</p> $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$

Example 7B confirmed the assumption that it is necessary that the sum $A^x + B^y$ has a common prime factor before C^z can be derived. (from the formula $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x}) = F^z t^z$.)

Example 8 is to show that the application of the substitution axiom is valid

$$\boxed{33^5 + 66^5 = 33^6}$$

$$33^5 + 66^5$$

$$33^5 \left(1 + \frac{66^5}{33^5} \right)$$

$$33^5 \left(\frac{33^6}{33^6} + \frac{66^5}{33^5} \right) \leftarrow \text{-----} \left(\frac{33^6}{33^6} = 1, \text{ applying the substitution axiom.} \right)$$

$$= 33^5 \left(\frac{33^6 \bullet 33^5 + 33^6 \bullet 66^5}{33^6 \bullet 33^5} \right)$$

$$= \frac{33^6 \bullet 33^5 + 33^6 \bullet 66^5}{33^6}$$

$$= \frac{33^6(33^5 + 66^5)}{33^6}$$

$$= \frac{33^6(33^5 + 33^5 \bullet 2^5)}{33^6}$$

$$= \frac{33^6 \bullet 33^5(1 + 2^5)}{33^6}$$

$$= 33^5(1 + 2^5)$$

$$= 33^5(33)$$

$$= 33^6$$

Note above in Example 1, 2, 3 and 5 , 6 and 7, that the derivation of C^z from the sum $A^x + B^y$ is more efficient by factoring than by applying the formula, $r^x(D^x + E^y r^{y-x})$.

Generalized Conversion of $A^x + B^y$ to C^z and Common Prime Factor Conclusion

Given: $A^x + B^y = C^z$, A, B, C, x, y, z are positive integers and $x, y, z > 2$.

Required: To prove that A , B and C have a common prime factor.

Plan: A necessary condition for A , B and C to have a common prime factor is that A and B must have a common prime factor. The proof would be complete after showing that If A and B have a common prime factor, C^z can be produced from the sum $A^x + B^y$.

Proof: Let r be a common prime factor of A and B . Then $A = Dr$, and $B = Er$, where D and E are positive integers. Also let t be a prime factor of C . Then $C = Ft$, where F is a positive integer. Beginning with $(Dr)^x + (Er)^y$ one will change this sum to the single power, $C^z = (Ft)^z$ as was done in the preliminaries.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (Dr)^x + (Er)^y \\
 = & (Dr)^x \left[1 + \frac{(Er)^y}{(Dr)^x} \right] && \text{(Factoring out the } (Dr)^x \text{)} \\
 = & (Dr)^x \left[\frac{(Ft)^z}{(Ft)^z} + \frac{(Er)^y}{(Dr)^x} \right] && \left(\frac{(Ft)^z}{(Ft)^z} = 1, \text{ applying the substitution axiom} \right) \\
 = & (Dr)^x \left[\frac{(Ft)^z (Dr)^x + (Ft)^z (Er)^y}{(Ft)^z (Dr)^x} \right] && \text{(Adding the terms within the brackets)} \\
 = & \frac{(Ft)^z (Dr)^x + (Ft)^z (Er)^y}{(Ft)^z} && \text{(canceling out the } (Dr)^x \text{)} \\
 = & \frac{(Ft)^z [(Dr)^x + (Er)^y]}{(Ft)^z} && \text{(Factoring out } (Ft)^z \text{)} \\
 = & \frac{(Ft)^z \bullet (Ft)^z}{(Ft)^z} && (Dr)^x + (Er)^y = (Fr)^z \\
 = & (Ft)^z
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $C^z = (Ft)^z$ was obtained from $A^x = (Dr)^x$ and $B^y = (Er)^y$ which have the common prime factor r , C^z also has the common prime factor, r . and one can write $(Dr)^x + (Er)^y = (Fr)^z$, where $t = r$. Therefore, A , B and C have a common prime factor.

Conclusion

The main principle in this paper is that the two powers, A^x and B^y of a common prime factor are being added to form a single third power, C^z . A factorization process and a conversion formula derived from $A^x + B^y$ tested perfectly in converting $A^x + B^y$ to C^z on the numerical sample equations. Thus the conversion formula confirmed the necessity that A and B must have a common prime factor, otherwise, the sum $A^x + B^y$ cannot be converted to a single power of C . Step (G) in each numerical equation requires that A and B have a common power. Since C is derived from $A^x + B^y$, C will have the same common factor as $A^x + B^y$. Therefore, without $A^x + B^y$ with a common factor, there would be no C . Note in the examples that C is derived solely from the sum $A^x + B^y$. Thus, to derive C , A and B must have a common prime factor, and if C is derived from $A^x + B^y$ with a common prime factor, C will also have the same common prime factor. Therefore if $A^x + B^y = C^z$, where A, B, C, x, y, z are positive integers and $x, y, z > 2$, then A , B and C have a common prime factor.

PS: Other proofs of Beal Conjecture by the author are at viXra:1702.0331; viXra:1609.0383, viXra:1609.0157.

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